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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 22, 2002, said period of response being extended from July 22, 2002 to October 22, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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